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1. Between 28 May and 1 June 1951, troops from the Heiterblick Kaserne at Leipzig-Taucha departed by truck for Thuringia. The loading of tanks and SP guns was observed during the nights of this same period of time. An informant working in the barracks installation stated that the troops who had departed constituted about one-third of the total occupation. (1) Six T-34 tanks, which were observed in a garage in the billeting area on 15 June, seemed to be the tanks [redacted]

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[redacted] in the area north of Leipzig-Taucha on 24 May. Prior to 15 June, 300 to 400 recruits were seen daily drilling at squad level in the billeting area. Motor vehicles [redacted]

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2. [redacted] two officers from a unit which had departed from the installation on 16 April returned to the installation on 3 June in order to pick up motor vehicles. The officers stated that they had moved into a summer camp of tents and block houses in the vicinity of Langensalza (M 52/J 08).

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4. Military personnel in the central hospital, Leipzig-Gohlis, between 6 and 15 June belonged to [redacted] from Leipzig-Schoenau, [redacted] Tank Unit [redacted] [redacted] from Taucha, Air Force Unit [redacted] from Altenburg, Tank Unit [redacted] from Mursen, and [redacted] One of the officers hospitalized there at the same time was Senior Lieutenant Nikolai Pavlovich Veresheyenko of unit [redacted]

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(1) It is doubted that units of the 8th Gds Mecz Div from the Heiterblick Kaserne should have moved to Thuringia. [redacted] this division have been reported from there to date. There is a possibility that the unit which allegedly left for Thuringia between 28 May and 1 June 1951 was a hitherto unidentified unit which was not a component of the 8th Mecz Div. It could have been the unit which, with tanks and motor vehicles, [redacted] to have arrived at the Heiterblick Kaserne on 29 April 1951. This assumption is however, of only hypothetical value. See [redacted] 25X1A

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(2) It is doubted that these vehicles of the 8th Gds Mecz Div were in Leipzig-Heiterblick, because they have been observed in Grimma and Leisnig exclusively to date.

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the unit definitely identified as a component of the 8th Gds Mecz Div. [redacted] and [redacted] Although the destination of the troops was unknown, it was believed that the units of the 8th Gds Mecz Div from Leipzig-Heiterblick have been at Koenigsbrueck since April 1951, because the divisional units from Chemnitz and Ebersdorf also left for Koenigsbrueck during the second half of April 1951.

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